



**VILLAGE OF BARTLETT
BOARD MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 17, 2024**

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Wallace called the regular meeting of September 17, 2024, of the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bartlett to order on the above date at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Trustees Deyne, Gandsey, Gunsteen, Hopkins, LaPorte, Suwanski, and President Wallace

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Village Administrator Paula Schumacher, Assistant Village Administrator Scott Skrycki, Assistant to the Village Manager Sam Hughes, Human Resources Director Janelle Terrance, Economic and Development Coordinator Tony Fradin, Finance Director Todd Dowden, Director of Public Works Dan Dinges, Assistant Public Works Director Tyler Isham, Public Works Engineer Nick Talarico, Planning & Development Director Kristy Stone, Grounds Superintendent Matt Giermak, Chief Geoff Pretkelis, Deputy Chief Rob Sweeney, Deputy Chief Will Naydenoff, Village Attorney Kurt Asprooth, and Village Clerk Lorna Giles.

3. INVOCATION – Pastor Dean Annen from Village Church of Bartlett

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

5. CONSENT AGENDA

President Wallace stated that all items marked with an asterisk on the agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. He further stated that there will be no separate discussion of these items unless a board member so requests, in which event, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered at the appropriate point on the agenda. He asked if there were any items a board member wished to remove from the Consent Agenda, or any items a board member wished to add to the Consent Agenda.

Trustee Suwanski stated that she would like to add item 12.E. 1 to the Consent Agenda – Purchase of (1) Ford F-150 Police Responder.

Trustee Gandsey stated that she would like to add item 12.B. 1 to the Consent Agenda – Bartlett High School Homecoming Fireworks Request.

Trustee Deyne stated that he would like to add item 12.F. 1, 2, 4, & 5 to the Consent Agenda – Ordinance 2024-90, An Ordinance Amending the Bartlett Municipal Code Section 6-11-1303.1: Schedule V, No Parking Zones; Ordinance 2024-91, An Ordinance Amending the Bartlett Municipal Code Section 6-11-802.2: Left Turn Prohibited Location; Resolution 2024-93-R, A Resolution Approving of the Purchase of Electricity by the Village of Bartlett at a Price Not to



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Exceed \$0.043/kWh; Ordinance 2024-94, An Ordinance Accepting the Public Improvements for McKesson Expansion at 375 Spitzer Road.

Trustee Hopkins stated that he would like to add item 12.D. 2 to the Consent Agenda - Resolution 2024-89-R, A Resolution Making a Determination on Executive Session Minutes and Verbatim Recordings.

President Wallace then recited each item that was on the Consent Agenda, including the nature of the matters being considered and other information to inform the public of matters being voted upon. He then stated that he would entertain a motion to Amend the Consent Agenda, and the items designated to be approved by Consent therein.

Trustee Deyne moved to Approve the Amended Consent Agenda and that motion was seconded by Trustee Gandsey.

ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSENT ITEMS THEREIN

AYES: Trustees Deyne, Gandsey, Gunsteen, Hopkins, LaPorte, Suwanski

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

Trustee Deyne moved to Approve the Amended Consent Agenda and that motion was seconded by Trustee Suwanski.

ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE AMENDED CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSENT ITEMS THEREIN

AYES: Trustees Deyne, Gandsey, Gunsteen, Hopkins, LaPorte, Suwanski

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

6. MINUTES – Covered and approved under the Consent Agenda.

7. BILL LIST – Covered and approved under the Consent Agenda.

8. TREASURER'S REPORT

Finance Director Todd Dowden stated that the Treasurer's Report for the month of July is included in the packet. Also included is the sales tax report and they received \$374,363 which is approximately \$51,000 up from the previous year which is about 15%. For Motor Fuel Tax, they received \$156,001 that was up \$9,000 from the prior year. Income Tax Distribution is 2,250,000 million for the first three months of the year.



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9. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. President Wallace read a Proclamation for National Think Train Week.

10. QUESTION/ANSWER: PRESIDENT & TRUSTEES

Trustee Deyne recognized a few commissioners on their anniversaries.

Trustee Deyne also discussed the golf tournament that occurs yearly between staff and the Village Board. Mayor Wallace and Trustee Deyne represent the Board, while Assistant Village Administrator Scott Skrycki and Village Attorney Kurt Asprooth represented staff. The game had to be rescheduled midway due to the weather. He went on to say that the Village Board ended up winning the game. He thanked Assistant Village Administrator Scott Skrycki and Village Attorney Kurt Asprooth for a good game and the other Board members who attended for support.

Trustee Gunsteen thanked Public Works Director Dan Dinges and the department for the tremendous job cleaning up Ruzicka's parking lot, working with traffic control, and most importantly redoing the handicap parking.

Trustee Gandsey asked for a quick update on CPKC Coalition.

Assistant Village Administrator Scott Skrycki stated there's a few items that will be coming to the Board soon. Some of those items include Collection of Data relative to making sure the number of trains going through the line is what was agreed upon in the merger. The second is predictive mobility, there will be an umbrella agreement with the other communities for a device that DU-COMM and other agencies will be able to see trains coming through town. The last item is an IGA with all the other communities to keep the coalition intact. He went on to say that they'll likely see a report in this in the coming weeks.

Trustee Gandsey asked if there was an expected timeline for this.

Assistant Village Administrator Scott Skrycki stated that'll be coming in the next couple of months.

Mayor Wallace stated he thought it would be great to get an update to the Board in regard to the numbers of predicted train lines and any changes that have/will be occurring. He went on to say he thinks it's important to get that information out to the public.

Trustee Gunsteen stated it would be good to get this information out to the public along with the platform realignment. Mayor Wallace agreed.



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11. TOWN HALL

Paul Schmidt, 1991 Woodhaven

Mr. Schmidt wanted to speak out against school busses being allowed to make a left turn on Nature Ridge. He stated that inconvenience cannot be a justification to endanger safety. He went on to say that U-46 has multiple options to handle this issue, with school buses arriving earlier being the simplest option. He stated he's disappointed with how staff and U-46 handled this issue, which led him to FOIA the information in order to fully understand what conversations occurred between U-46 and Village staff particularly the Bartlett Police Department regarding this issue. He once again reiterated his frustration and disappointment. He asked the Board to vote no.

Trustee Hopkins asked Chief Pretkelis to elaborate on the subject.

Chief Pretkelis stated that his department reviewed all the data and that he doesn't believe this would be a safety risk. He stated that the department provided the resident and the Village Board with traffic crash data; they have never had any accidents at this location. He went on to say that the Director of U-46 is here and was also willing to speak on the topic if needed. Chief Pretkelis stated that this isn't the only route these buses go to. He went on to say that currently with the "no left turn" sign, there's potentially five-six different conflicts to navigate to get into the school. Versus getting rid of the sign where it's two conflicts. He stated that in regard to safety, the potential conflicts of not allowing the buses to use this route, puts the children on the bus at risk along with all the children in that neighborhood who walk to school. He reiterated that it's beyond convenience, it's about the safety of the children. Chief Pretkelis stated that he spoke with the principal who confirmed that there are two crossing guards along with a staff member at the parent pick up/drop off.

Trustee Hopkins asked about where the crossing guards are located.

Chief Pretkelis stated that there's a crossing guard located North of Ridgemore and one located South of Ridgemore along with the staff member. He went on to say that these bus drivers are trained and licensed and are aware of how to best navigate during drop off and pick up. He stated there's not a lot of students who come from the North South; most of them coming from Blue Heron take the bus unless they voluntarily walk. Chief Pretkelis reiterated that it's comparing six conflicts and safety issues to two by allowing the left turn into the school. He concluded with it's a choice for parents to drive their kids to school; it's not a choice for the children who have to take the bus.

12. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. BUILDING & ZONING COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN GUNSTEEN

Trustee Gunsteen stated there was no report.



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B. COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN GANDSEY

Trustee Gandsey stated that the Bartlett High School Homecoming Fireworks Request was covered and approved under the Consent Agenda.

Trustee Gandsey presented Resolution 2024-87-R; A Resolution Supporting a Class 7 (c) Real Estate Classification/Tax Incentive for Aldi Inc. She stated Ryan LLC on behalf of Aldi Inc. is requesting the Village to amend its previously approved Class 7b Cook County tax incentive for its new grocery store at 399 Bartlett Plaza. The amendment is necessary because the property does not meet the eligibility criteria for a Class 7b, which requires the property to be located in a previously designated development area as defined by federal, state, and local agencies.

Trustee Gandsey moved to Approved Resolution 2024-87-R, a Resolution Supporting a Class 7 (c) Real Estate Classification/Tax Incentive for Aldi Inc. and that motion was seconded by Trustee Hopkins.

Trustee Gandsey asked why we/they didn't know about this previously.

Village Administrator Paula Schumacher stated that the Consultant that they used who prepared the application that goes to Cook County didn't understand the difference between the Class b and Class c. She went on to say that it seemed to be an error on their consultant's part.

ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2024-87-R, A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A CLASS 7 (C) REAL ESTATE CLASSIFICATION/TAX INCENTIVE FOR ALDI INC.

AYES: Trustees Deyne, Gandsey, Gunsteen, Hopkins, LaPorte, Suwanski

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

C. FINANCE COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN LAPORTE

Trustee LaPorte stated that there was no report

D. LICENSE & ORDINANCE COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN HOPKINS

Trustee Hopkins stated that Resolution 2024-89-R, a Resolution making a determination on Executive Session Minutes and Verbatim Recordings was covered and approved under the Consent Agenda.

Trustee Hopkins presented Ordinance 2024-88, An Ordinance Amending Section 1-8-6 of the Village Code Regarding Salaries for Elected Officials. The Village Board has recently discussed elected official pay. To facilitate discussion, staff presented surveys from both NWMC, DMMC, as well as a clerk's survey about elected official pay. It was determined that the salaries be adjusted to the average salary. With Board approval, the new salaries would take place upon being sworn in. The amendment to the salary amounts enacted pursuant to this Ordinance will



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only apply to those elected officials who are elected at the April 1, 2025, Consolidated Election, and elections occurring thereafter. The elected officials who were elected at the April 4, 2023, Consolidated Election will continue to receive the salary amounts that were in effect 180 days prior to the start of their terms of office.

Trustee Hopkins moved to Approve Ordinance 2024-88, An Ordinance Amending Section 1-8-6 of the Village Code Regarding Salaries for Elected Officials, and that motion was seconded by Trustee Deyne.

Trustee Gandsey wanted to clarify that these numbers were put together based on numbers from other communities.

Village Administrator Paula Schumacher confirmed and stated that a number of surveys were used such as DMMC, NWMC, as well as the Clerk's Association salary survey. The median was taken of all of those to determine these numbers.

Trustee Gandsey stated that that she felt it important that anyone running for Public Office and support their community receive some sort of compensation whether it's for childcare or anything else, that they are supported for that. Mayor Wallace agreed that it helps bridge the road blocks.

ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2024-88, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1-8-6 TO THE VILLAGE CODE REGARDING SALARIES FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS.

AYES: Trustees Deyne, Gandsey, Hopkins, LaPorte, Suwanski

NAYS: Trustee Gunsteen

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

E. POLICE & HEALTH COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN SUWANSKI

Trustee Suwanski stated that the Purchase of (1) Ford F-150 Police Responder was covered and approved under the Consent Agenda.

F. PUBLIC WORKS AND GOLF COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN DEYNE

Trustee Deyne stated that Ordinance 2024-90; An Ordinance Amending the Bartlett Municipal Code Section 6-11-1303.1: Schedule V, No Parking Zones; Ordinance 2024-91; An Ordinance Amending the Bartlett Municipal Code Section 6-11-802.2: Left Turn Prohibited Location; Resolution 2024-93-R, A Resolution Approving of the Purchase of Electricity by the Village of Bartlett at a Price Not to Exceed \$0.043/kWh; Ordinance 2024-94, an Ordinance Accepting the Public Improvements for McKesson Expansion at 375 Spitzer Road were covered and approved under the Consent Agenda.

Trustee Deyne presented Resolution 2024-92-R, A Resolution of Support for the Submittal of an Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program Grant for the Construction of the Multi-Use Underpass Path Underneath Route 59.



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Trustee Gunsteen asked we at with engineering and construction on this project.

Assistant Public Works Director Tyler Isham stated that they are currently working on the design aspects of this project. They are working with Mackey Consultants on the structural design for the wall. It is being funded through Cook County's ARPA funding.

Trustee Gunsteen wanted to make sure that they're taking the highest level of precautions and safety measures due to it being a hidden area that it's well lit and that there are cameras.

Public Works Director Dan Dinges stated that there's an agreement with IDOT and Metra to work on safety measures. He stated that there will likely be fencing around that area. He went on to say that they haven't yet looked into cameras for that area but it's something that they can work on.

Trustee Gandsey asked who this letter will go to.

Assistant Public Works Director Tyler Isham stated that the letter of support is part of the grant application that if they're awarded with these funds, that they are committing their matching funds to the project. He went on to say that they currently have three letters of support, one from Northwest Municipal, one from Cook County Department of Transportation, and one from the Park District. He stated he believes that DuPage Mayor's and Managers are working on a letter of support for them as well.

Village Administrator Paula Schumacher stated that we have 35,000 from the developer to go towards our Municipal share as well.

Assistant Public Works Director Tyler Isham stated that while it's not a letter of support, they've heard from IDOT that they are in support of the project.

Trustee LaPorte asked what Bartlett's portion is when it comes to this project. Trustee Suwanski did some math and stated it would seem that amount would be around 200K.

Assistant Public Works Director Tyler Isham stated that they will also be applying for investing Cook grant funds next year for the construction to help fund that portion of the matching funds as well.

Trustee Deyne moved to approve Resolution 2024-92-R; A Resolution of Support for the Submittal of an Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program Grant for the Construction of the Multi-Use Underpass Path Underneath Route 59. That motion was seconded by Trustee Suwanski.

ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2024-92-R; A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE SUBMITTAL OF AN ILLINOIS TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MULTI-USE UNDERPASS PATH UNDERNEATH



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ROUTE 59.

AYES: Trustees Deyne, Gandsey, Gunsteen, Hopkins, LaPorte, Suwanski
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION CARRIED

13. NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Wallace asked about updates regarding Merry and Bright.

Village Administrator Paula Schumacher stated that the Administration Staff meeting included “mug check Monday” where all the mugs were checked for chips etc. for the Cocoa Crawl. She stated Merry and Bright has a meeting to discuss the procurement of a Christmas Tree to bring to the park.

Mayor Wallace stated we’ve received a lot of compliments regarding the event over the years; he thanked everyone on the Committee for doing a fantastic job.

14. QUESTION/ANSWER PRESIDENT & TRUSTEES - None

15. ADJOURNMENT

President Wallace stated the meeting will adjourn. There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Deyne moved to adjourn the meeting, that motion was seconded by Trustee Gandsey.

ROLL CALL VOTE TO ADJOURN

AYES: Trustees Deyne, Gandsey, Gunsteen, Hopkins, LaPorte, Suwanski
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Jackie Cardoza
Executive Assistant